## MINUTES FROM COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF NORTH CANTON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016

1. Call to Order

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: I'd like to call to order the Council Meeting, Monday, February 22, 2016, 7:08pm. Mark, would you like to lead us.

- 2. Opening Prayer Councilman Cerreta gave the opening prayer.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Roll Call

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Clerk, please call the roll?

Roll call found the following council members in attendance: Cerreta, Foltz, Fonte, Griffith, Kiesling, Peters and Werren. Thus having 7 in attendance.

5. Consideration

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to approve as presented:

Mayor's Court Receipts – January 2016 Financial Statement – January 2016 Month End Report Council Meeting Minutes: January 25, 2016, February 8, 2016 Special Council Meeting Minutes: February 1, 2016

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ**: Motion to approve as presented.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes, to approve the above minutes and reports.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Alright, Thank you very much. At this time, if you wish to address council please step forward state your name and address.

6. Recognition of Visitors

JOSEPH MULQUEEN: 1016 Park Avenue. And first off, I want to thank the City of North Canton for building a skate park 14 years ago, right down the street. And you know, I got this in the mail, you know, read it, you know, what I'm talking about, my city government's looking ahead for this New Year. I couldn't help but read but, you know, our tax collection is up to \$6.8 million, which you're saying is close to what it was in the 2000. I think out of that \$6.8 million dollars, you know, the city could budget \$5,000 and, you know, add a new ramp or two at the skate park. Cause, you know, better ramps will equal less injuries. We resurfaced it and I always called Jim Davis, you know, he's supposed to be the parks department guy. You know, I have nothing but bad things to say about him, cause, you know, I'd give him my ideas and never got a phone call back. About anything, you know, about going ahead. But anyways, the goals, you know, for this is to, you know, ensure rider safety, be good stewards, maintain the obstacles and amenities. The City of North Canton should take pride in having, you know, the best skate part in Stark County. Because no one goes to the park at Jackson because, you know, the City of Jackson never kept up with it and lied about there was supposed to be three stages to that skate park. It's only, you know, been in the first stage, you know, haven't added on to it. I hate to say it but, you know, where the skate park's at on Harmont in Canton that's not a safe area. What I'd like to see is, you know, surrounding communities, you know, Canton, Jackson, you know, work on getting the ramps out of there. Donate half to Jackson and half here, but, you know, that's a process in itself, because the City of North Canton would have to work with the City of Canton and Jackson. But, also in Canton, they're talking about doing a new skate park, but they need Issue 5 to pass. So, but this isn't, you know, Canton's not North Canton, we're two different cities. And I think, you know, I think the reason why, you know, Dogwood's been around for so long and has been the skate park of choice by everybody, you know, from Canton and Jackson, and everything because it's in a nice area where, you know, Harmont may have a couple more ramps than Dogwood. But a kid got shot there over a bike, so, you know, they need to put those ramps somewhere safer for, you know, the City of Canton. But all I'd like to see is a new ramp or two, you know, I think the next budget we could work with, you know, for the two ramps I'd like to see, you know, two ledges I think the max we could, you know, get them made for is \$5,000. I would help build them, you know, and work for free. My one buddy does concrete work, I'm sure, you know, even if it came down to it we could go to Home Depot and get it for way cheaper than \$5,000 and do it ourselves. Than go through Service Supply Limited where, you know, all the skate way ramps are from there. But I just think, you know, it will make Dogwood look better and, you know, another way we could, you know, collect money for is donations through gift bricks. But, you know, there's always been a reputation in saying the skate parks where the druggies hang out. There's no druggies around there. It's not a bad place. We need to stop trying, you know, people need to stop treating the skate park like it's a bad place because I see more people who, you know, are in the party scene that are the

sports players than, you know, more people at the skate park. And, you know, the basketball court could, you know, it's just could use nicer hoops. They're just metal pieces of crap. We could just scrap those and I think we could make our parks more than Dogwood, you know, get Dogwood fixed up. Because if I would want to build a skate park in the town originally I would have done it in Price Park. I think that back end would have had enough space right there for a nice concrete park. But I'm just, I'd like to see the City fix up the skate park and, you know, give us more stuff in the parks. Because, you know, there's only little walking trails, you can only do that so much, volleyball net, you know, you can only do that so much. And, you know, Dogwood's the most used park in the City of North Canton, because, you know, the baseball fields are only used a couple of months out of the year. But, you know, with skateboarding the season is forever.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS</u>: Mr. Mulqueen, your 5 minutes is up. I, thank you for your comments. If you want to this week, contact the council clerk, she will give you my number and contact me. I live right by the skate park so, and I appreciate that. And I agree with you there's no druggies there. Those are all good kids and I've talked with them on many occasions. I think you and I have talked there before as well. Before we did the improvements. So, if you...

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Jeff, motion to open for discussion?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Yeah.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Yeah, I have a lot of say, too.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Yeah, is there a motion and a second...?

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Just up here, not with the speaker.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Alright, yeah, you go ahead and have a seat.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** We're going to discuss it.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: And like I said, contact city hall council clerk, she'll give you my contact number and you and I will meet one on one.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Mary Beth, mine also. If you want to talk Mark, then I'll say a few words.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Do we have to vote to open that. Motion to open discuss for this.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to open up for discussion on the floor regarding the skate park.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: I just wanted to make a comment. Is it Joe? (Yes) What's your last name, I couldn't hear it. (Mulqueen) Mulqueen, alright. First of all, I really appreciate you coming up and taking the lead on that and the initiative. When we look for people to take on projects and get moving on that. And you seem like you have a lot of passion in that. So we would love to listen to you and talk to you, especially if you have some ideas, concrete guys and guys who want to do some work. Because I can tell you, there's nobody up here is a skateboard expert in any way. So we need people to talk to us about that kind of thing. So I think everybody agrees with that, it's just something we would love to hear. We just need to get together on a cost and where that money is coming from and that kind of thing. That's what we do up here. So I really appreciate you coming up and talking about something that you're passionate about though.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Just as a follow up, I was involved with the Harmont one. I was a proponent to have the one built over in ward 2. So I do have a little bit of background in knowing what's going on. So I would be more than happy to sit down with you and President Peters and see what your ideas are. We do have a park and rec. committee that meets once a month also. So...

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** I think they're meeting next week.

COUNCILMAN FOLTZ: So make sure that we have a way to get a hold of you. I'd be more than happy, I know 2 years ago, 2 or 3 years ago we did something with the ramps. Of course, we put a lot of money and I thank this council and the taxpayers who fund it. A lot of infrastructure has been improved in our parks. We've spent thousands if not millions of dollars here lately on all the parks. Especially, now with the pool. So, we are doing good things. But it doesn't mean we can't build something bigger and better where we can fit it in and make it work logistically. We have a lot to worry about with neighbors and I'm very familiar with the skateboard riders and the bikers. They kind of police themselves in those areas. And that's a key, because if you want something nice, they have to know how to take care of it also. Because what you see out there is not cheap skateboard equipment. Its metal, it's probably on the upper end as far as what's available. It's not pour and place concrete, I'm sure there's other products out there. But I think what we've provided through this community has been very good. I think it's worked out overall for the most part, in a very positive fashion. So I'd like to get together with you at another

date and discuss your ideas. So, thank you.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Doug, are your park and rec. meetings open to the public? (Yes) So, he could maybe come to

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Absolutely.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** March 21st at 4:00pm at the civic center, is the next meeting.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Did you hear that Joe?

JOSEPH MULQUEEN: March 21st, okay.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Okay. Alright, thank you. Anyone else wishing to address council, please step forward state your name and address. Okay, seeing none, we will move on with old business. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the third reading of Ordinance No. 54 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the third reading of Ordinance No. 54 - 2015.

7. Old Business

8. Ordinance No. 54 - 2015

Community and Economic Development Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton to take all necessary actions to exchange portions of certain parcels of real estate with Michael Shuster.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Okay, Chairwoman Kiesling.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: Yes, this is the land swap. It's the final reading. Any questions, concerns? Alright, I motion we adopt.

COUNCILMAN FOLTZ: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the third reading of Ordinance No. 54 - 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 54 – 2015 WAS PASSED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 7 YES.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 4 – 2016?

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 4 - 2016.

10. Ordinance No. 4 – 2016 Or

Ordinance, Rules and Claims Committee

An ordinance authorizing all action necessary to establish a governmental electric aggregation program, with opt-out provisions pursuant to Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code for the residents, businesses, and other electric consumers in the City of North Canton, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you very much, Member Werren.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** We've talked about this a number of times. If there are no questions or thoughts. Yes?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Are we putting something on the next water bill. Is that what I read?

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN**: No, that was for the gas.

**<u>DIRECTOR GRIMES</u>**: That was gas aggregation.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Okay, alright.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN**: So if there are no objections, I move to adopt.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: Second.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** Are we passing it completely tonight or are we going to do three readings?

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN**: I thought we were doing three readings.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: We're suspending tonight. Mike, you wanted it to...

<u>DIRECTOR GRIMES</u>: The quicker we pass it, the further we can get along. But my main goal is, if you can be so kind as to pass this as an emergency on which ever reading so that once we pass it we can move on it. So...

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS: We've had 2 bites of the apple as far as public input. So...

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN**: Right, that's fine.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** I don't have an objection, I was really just curious.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: And I'd rather get it in his hands so he can, you know...

COUNCILWOMAN WERREN: And Mike had said that last week.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS</u>: Okay, so we will pass it on emergency then tonight. Alright, so we have a motion and a second, you're going to call the roll now.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: So moved.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH: Second.** 

Roll call vote of 7 yes to suspend the rules of council for three readings for Ordinance No. 4 - 2016.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to adopt under suspension of the rules of council for Ordinance No. 4 – 2016?

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt under suspension of the rules for Ordinance No. 4 - 2016.

ORDINANCE NO. 4 – 2016 WAS PASSED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 7 YES.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 5 – 2016?

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title the second reading for Ordinance No. 5-2016.

11. Ordinance No. 5 – 2016 Ordinance, Rules and Claims Committee

An ordinance amending Part Five – General Offenses Code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of North Canton by the amendment of Chapter 505 Animals and Fowl, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS: Thank you, Chairwoman Werren.

<u>COUNCILWOMAN WERREN</u>: We've talked about this, but I think it's a really good ordinance, and we kind of hit the high points looking at Canton, Alliance, and Cleveland, and Akron. Looking at how our ordinance is very similar to theirs, and keeping it in line, and it really talks about tethering, and the amount of time an animal is outside. And so, we talked about the weather and putting this on emergency, in case it gets cold again, so the police can actually do something and enforce the ordinance. So if there are no other thoughts or concerns, I move to adopt.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 5-2016

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to suspend the rules of council for three readings for Ordinance No. 5 – 2016?

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**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** So moved.

COUNCILWOMAN WERREN: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to suspend the rules of council for three readings for Ordinance No. 5-2016.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS: Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to adopt under suspension of the rules for

Ordinance No. 5 - 2016?

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN: Second.** 

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt under suspension of the rules for Ordinance No. 5 – 2016.

ORDINANCE NO. 5 - 2016 WAS PASSED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 7 YES.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title the second reading of Ordinance

No. 8 - 2016?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 8 - 2016.

12. Ordinance No. 8 - 2016

Street and Alley Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, upon Board of Control approval, and on behalf of the City of North Canton, to enter into an agreement to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT) cooperative purchasing program to contract for the purchase of sodium chloride (rock salt) for the 2016-2017 winter season.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you, Chairman Fonte.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE**: Okay, we talked about this, this is the second reading. It's just to buy the salt offseason, or you know, while we can at a discounted price. And I move that we approve the second reading.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 8-2016.

ORDINANCE NO. 8 - 2016 WAS GIVEN SECOND READING.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you, may I have a motion and a second to read by title only the second reading of

Ordinance No. 10 – 2016?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 10 - 2016.

13. Ordinance No. 10 – 2016

Street and Alley Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of North Canton to advertise and receive bids according to specifications now on file in the Director's office, and authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, upon Board of Control approval, to enter into a contract for the resurfacing, repaving, replacement, repair and preventative maintenance of certain City streets, alleys, and parking lots, at a cost not to exceed \$800,000.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you, Chairman Fonte.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE**: Okay, we talked about this, this is just our 2016 monies that are already allocated for us. I'm just approving them, I want to approve the second reading for the 2016 year.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ**: Is that a motion?

**COUNCILMAN FONTE**: Yes.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ: Second.** 

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 10-2016.

ORDINANCE NO. 10 - 2016 WAS GIVEN SECOND READING.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you, may I have a motion and a second to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 12 – 2016?

COUNCILMAN FOLTZ: So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 12 - 2016.

14. Ordinance No. 12 - 2016

Street and Alley Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of North Canton to advertise and receive bids according to specifications now on file in Director's office, and authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, upon Board of Control approval, to enter into a contract for the Parkview Avenue NW Rehabilitation Project, at a total cost not to exceed \$300,000.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you, Chairman Fonte.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE**: Okay, so we talked about that, the last couple of times. And this is the second reading for Parkview, to just do resurfacing, some curbs, gutters, some sidewalk, and I move that we approve the second reading.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 12 - 2016.

ORDINANCE NO. 12 – 2016 WAS GIVEN SECOND READING.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you. Okay, I'm going to need a motion and a second to amend Ordinance No. 13 – 2016 to total cost not to exceed \$100,000. And the line item that the funds will be allocated out of will be 209.745.5229.

COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH: So moved.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Second.

COUNCILMAN FOLTZ: Question first, we're changing the project to \$100,000, or we're adding \$100,000 to it?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: No, we're changing it to not to exceed \$100,000. We read it last week not to exceed \$300,000, it was incorrect put in.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS**: I resubmitted it incorrectly, the money in the account was wrong account and the wrong amount. When...

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** It was good other than that though, right?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS**: Yeah, other than that, we're fine.

COUNCILMAN FOLTZ: I've got to watch what I say, more of an economy fix?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS**: No, it was the money we put in the budget, that's what we anticipated the project to be. We just, when we were doing the legislation we copied the Parkview and changed kind of the heading but we forgot to the change the numbers.

COUNCILMAN FOLTZ: Okay, what do you feel, whatever monies is allotted here it's going to take care of the problems. I

know the other estimates are around \$300,000, initially.

ENGINEER BENEKOS: Right.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: So we're putting gravel down, instead of concrete.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ**: Whatever we put down I want to work. And I'm sure President Peters is in full agreement with it. Okay, ves.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Yes, no doubt.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to amend Ordinance No. 13 – 2016.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Alright, with that, may I have a motion and a second to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 13 - 2016 as amended.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the second reading of amended Ordinance No. 13 – 2016.

15. Ordinance No. 13 - 2016

Street and Alley Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of North Canton to advertise and receive bids according to specifications now on file in Director's office, and authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, upon Board of Control approval, to enter into a contract for the Sheraton Drive NW Drainage Improvements Project, at a total cost not to exceed \$100,000.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you, Chairman Fonte.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE**: Okay, so this is, you know, we've had that ongoing problem with the flooding and so forth. They did a lot to curb it. But this is going to correct the problem, hopefully once and for all. And thanks for correcting that income error for the \$100,000. So I would move that we approve the second reading, it's not an emergency.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 13 - 2016.

ORDINANCE NO. 13 - 2016 WAS GIVEN SECOND READING.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you, may I have a motion and a second to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 22 – 2016?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 22 - 2016.

16. Ordinance No. 22 - 2016

**Finance and Property Committee** 

An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 46 - 2015, the Fixed Base Water Meter Project in the City of North Canton, increasing the appropriation from not to exceed \$1,074,000.00 to not to exceed \$1,520,000.00.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you, Chairman Griffith.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** We had a good discussion, through discussion about this. The additional dollars are so that we will cover the cost through the term of the contract. So that's the initiative there. Are there any other questions about this? Seeing none, I would move its approval.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 22 - 2016.

ORDINANCE NO. 22 – 2016 WAS GIVEN SECOND READING.

## 17. Reports - Council:

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Alright, thank you very much. Reports, Member Fonte.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE**: Nothing to report today.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Alright, Member Werren.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Just nice job on the streets, after Monday's snow or Tuesday's snow. They were quick and efficient. And, I mean I was driving down to work on Cleveland Avenue, and again, that line where it switches to Canton was just so significant. And, so Jim Davis, nice job. And I did have a couple people that had called, and I called Mike, sometimes the plows that devil strip is tricky, but I think the City does a really nice job in the spring of repairing some of those areas. I know sometimes we have new drivers, but the person who was in charge that nice was really efficient and actually went out the next morning and spoke with the constituent. And worked it out and just having that customer service and I think that means everything. So, nice job.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Member Kiesling.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: No report other than wish the Hoover Lady Vikings good luck. They're going to be playing in the semi title here in about half hour.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** And the swimming.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Yep, my nieces, Annie and Kate Lochridge.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN**: I saw that.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Definitely.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN**: Is she on that relay?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Yes, they are.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: They both are.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS: It's awesome. Alright, Member Griffith.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH**: We have our S&P presentation on Wednesday. So everyone be thinking credit worthy thoughts on Wednesday, as we do our presentation. That's what I've got.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Member Cerreta?

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: No report.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Member Foltz?

<u>COUNCILMAN FOLTZ</u>: I tried to get on the internet, and I don't know if I missed it, but Mayor Held, you do a great job with swearing in people and wards. If there's a way you could notify us or get that out a little earlier, we'd love to maybe attend it if we have time or the public. And I don't know, maybe you put it on today.

MAYOR HELD: No, usually what we do is we'll send, Mike sends an email over to your office. So, we try to make sure that you all...

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: Today's a little too late.

<u>DIRECTOR GRIMES</u>: I think I did it last week too, but I can include you in. I do a Monday morning email to all the employees on what we're doing during the week. So I'll make sure each one of you are listed on that.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ**: Or on the website would be good. Because, that's a nice thing that happens here, we talk about the great talent we have hired here that works for our constituents.

MAYOR HELD: Well, then the other thing is too, because as we've been having the swearing-in ceremonies, you can see there's a lot of you know, employees and family members that show up. Because we want to promote it. So we want to make sure that everybody is certainly here. I think it's just identifying the best communication, because I think we send out like an email and obviously it's not getting to you folks on a timely manner. So, but it's not intentional on our behalf. And that's why we try to do it just before the council, we could do it during the council meetings but it might kind of take a little bit longer. So we'll make sure that you all get even if we send out a group text.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ**: Thank you.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS</u>: And I'm glad you brought that up. Allan is, is a great guy. I've known him for a long time, hard worker, and Greg Seemann, who I grew up with Greg, speaks very highly of Allan. So I'm very proud of him, happy for him. Also this Wednesday, 3:30pm, I sent Mary Beth and Mike, I sent you both the message. A gentleman by the name Josh Branch is going to be here, he's going to meet me here. We're going to do measurements for, and just kind of take a look at it. He wants to look at our equipment as well. Is that a PC or is that Mac Book that we use up there.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES**: It's a PC.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS</u>: Anyways, he wants to take measurements, and he's got some ideas for us. Josh Branch, is a former student of Tom Wilson at Hoover High School. Who is now the Director of Media at GlenOak High School. He's a great guy, very talented, comes highly recommended. The reason, you know, the reason I'm going through him is, you know, in the interest of full disclosure Tom Wilson, who is Director of Media at Hoover is my brother-in-law. So I didn't want any muddy waters there. But he speaks very highly of Josh and says that he can get us hooked up and live stream, and you name it. Do it all. So and he says we can do it pretty cheaply. I'm not going to throw any numbers out right now, but from what I was talking to him it sounds like it's going to be very affordable. So, that will be Wednesday at 3:30pnm and hopefully by then we'll have more information. I'll bring it to you guys next week. Okay, Director of Law?

18. Reports:

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** Great news. No report.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Director of Finance.

<u>FINANCE DIRECTOR ALGER</u>: Okay, I just want to let you know we continue to train for and get ready for when Gayle leaves with training 2 account temps for income tax. Gayle and I, meet every week status report with RITA, and as Dan said we've been working hard to get prepared for our bond presentation on Wednesday. And also I'd like to thank Jessica for all the good articles we've been having. I don't know if anyone has seen them, but well written. Thank you. That's it.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Director of Administration.

DIRECTOR GRIMES: I was going to thank the reporter also for taking the time to go up to EMS and visit up there. And mentioning the donations that we get. I know the company themselves didn't want to be really recognized for anything. But we do get a lot of donations. Right now, we're getting private donations that are going towards our possible cameras for the police officers downstairs. We're collecting on that, people are just coming forward donating it. So, we appreciate it. I did not know they were going to ask you to cook for all of them. But, you know, that's the way they are up there. The other thing is, we mentioned about the lighting. We're going to have some of the lighting and change some of that around on the streets. And, you know, take a look at it. An opportunity came up about a week ago, a driver decided to run over one of our poles up on, by Chase Bank. And if you go up there now, we put a lighted ballard up there just for looks, just to see how that looks from the roadway. So we've got that going up there. So and again, I know EMS does appreciate you when you do okay their equipment, because you've done a lot over the last few years. Also with the donations and that. If you were here earlier, they got the trophy and everything. But obviously the trophy's cool, but it's all about saving lives and you know, if you go up there any time they're always practicing or working with the equipment when they're not out on the road. So it's a pretty good crew up there. Thank you, sir.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you, Mr. Mayor?

MAYOR HELD: Yes, along the lines of recognizing the new employees that we're promoting, like captains' positions or full-time positions. We also had a number of retirements. And so what we'd like to do is start to recognize those individuals that are retiring, whether it's from the Planning Commission, from the Fire Department or the Police Department. We've never had really a very specific route to do that. But as it turns out, as you can see when we're appointing new people to new position in here, we always have a very good attendance. And it gives an opportunity for not only the people in the community and those that are present here, but also our councilmembers and all of us to draw those connections. Because what was interesting tonight, is Brandon McDonald, his wife, her father is the gentleman that works at Huntington Bank. Which I've known, you know, all of them for years, I just didn't know that they were related. So when you have these events, it's nice to draw those connections. And then also as you see tonight we had Dean McDonald, and he didn't mention this, but Captain Dean McDonald has been serving the City of North Canton for 40 years. I mean that is a lot of experience, a lot of time, and now his son Brandon is full-time. So, yeah, it's just a nice thing to do. So what we can do, is we can talk about this, but we have a number of people that have retired here recently and we'd like to recognize them, whether it's at the council meeting or before, and because we do have a number of them we can just kind of space that out. So that, otherwise it might be kind of hard to fill everybody, you know, in the room with the family members and stuff. So that's all we have.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN**: I thought it was nice, when you had them all introduce themselves and how many years. That was really neat to see.

MAYOR HELD: Yes, well, because the funny thing is, you know, after being here for a number of years and I know our councilmembers that have been here for a number of years. You look at someone and go "my gosh, has it been 15 years, or 10 years". It just seemed like, you know, it was yesterday. And, but yeah, you really get an idea how many years of experience

we have in the City. And, I think that's really what separates North Canton, is you do have that tradition of excellence, and it's just passed on. You know, it's just from one generation to the next.

<u>COUNCILMAN CERRETA</u>: Dave, that's a great idea. That kind of stuff goes a long way in the atmosphere, the attitude, the moral, you know, even when someone's leaving to know that you actually care enough to do something. Rather than just "so long". So that creates a whole kind of atmosphere that we want, you know, people want here. I think it's a great idea, you've done it for a long time.

MAYOR HELD: And it's happened, they would normally do it like at the Police Department would like of have their own thing or the Fire Department would have their own thing, EMS would have theirs. But, when you bring it up here, what I've also noticed is that it brings other personnel department officials together too. So you have the police here with the fire and EMS, and the councilmembers. So, yeah, we have plenty of people to recognize. Because when you also look at our part-time fire and EMS, you know, we have what, probably 50, 55 part-timers. And there's been a number of them that have served 25, 30 years, and I hate to say part-time capacity, because when they go on a call, nobody ever says "are you part-time or full-time". You know, you are it. And, but it's just that they have part-time pay. So we will arrange for that and we also had a number of recent and I would call it a retirements, because like Tim Morrow, who served as a city councilman, he served on the Planning Commission. And this dates back, you know, 20 plus years. And a few others we'd like to recognize them. So we'll make arrangements prior to the next council meeting.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Outstanding. Mr. Engineer?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS**: Just, I have to brief items. Passed on second reading, well we didn't pass it, but we had second reading on the resurfacing program. If you get me your list of streets, we didn't have a harsh winter so we don't have a lot real terrible streets, but get me the streets you're interested in. And also when we do the third reading on that, if we could do that on emergency so that we can bid that out early. Then also for Ordinance No. 22 – 2016 for the Fixed Base Meter System, that also if you recall we asked on the third reading if we could pass that on emergency, also. So that we can go ahead and get started on that. We can authorize the contract so they can order their materials, so that we can set up our schedules.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: Jim, if you could send us maybe what list, what roads you have. I know that we've mentioned some to you over a period, and I don't know if that went on the list. So could maybe you could email us the list you have now so that we can, say I don't have to resubmit a street. Okay, that would be great.

ENGINEER BENEKOS: I can do that.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: And Jim were copied on the email? Today, in regards Easthill, 55<sup>th</sup>. Who was copied on that?

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** I was.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Steph, Mark, Dan and Marcia.

<u>COUNCILWOMAN WERREN</u>: You know, in regards to that though I mean we're going, you're going to be doing all that bridge work next year. So does it make sense to do, what makes sense to do these?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS**: Yeah, the, we can go to the limits, probably the street on the top of the hill, going east. Start around there and look at taking that I think that's already been on the list. We had that there. And then when the street project's done, because near there you're going to have a lot of construction equipment and all. So then when the bridge is done, we'll resurface the rest of that.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN**: So almost taking to the Northfield or Knoll maybe, yeah, it's been on there. And it even without a lot of the snow this year it does keep, it's been patched so many times. It gets a ton a traffic.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: Is the entire road our responsibility, or is part of it Plain?

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN**: No, it stops.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: It stops at the top of the hill, right? Right before the...

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: No, I mean even like north, south, the whole, whole wide of it is.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS**: The whole wide out to...

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Frazier.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS**: Yeah, Frazier.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Is that it?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS**: That's it for me. Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Thank you. Madame Clerk?

**COUNCIL CLERK BAILEY**: I do not have a report tonight.

31. Final Call for New Business:

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Alright, outstanding. Alright, with that anymore business to come to council?

32. Adjourn:

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: Alright, with that I'll entertain a motion to adjourn?

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA**: So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING**: Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adjourn.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS**: We are adjourned.

[Let the record reflect Charles Osborne set up a tripod and appeared to videotape the council meeting]